

Page 2, line 6, amend as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Accordingly, it is an object of the present invention to provide a base plate for a power tool which eliminates the disadvantages of the prior art.

In keeping with these objects and with others which will become apparent hereinafter, one feature of the present invention resides, briefly stated, a base plate ~~(1)~~1 for a power tool ~~(13)~~13, in particular for hand-guided circular saws, sabre saws, wall chasers, and routers, comprised of a metal sheet, having reinforcing elements that protrude out from a plane of the metal sheet, at least one of said plurality of reinforcing elements is embodied in the form of a lateral stop surface ~~(12)~~12, and having attaching elements ~~(14)~~ 14 that protrude out from the plane of the metal sheet and are provided for fastening the base plate ~~(1)~~1 to a miter angle ~~(23)~~23, wherein the metal sheet is configured as a stamped and bent metal sheet composed of a light metal alloy and the entire base plate ~~(1)~~1 is embodied in one piece.